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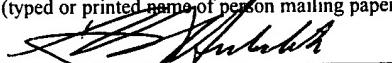
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For: **DECORATIVE LAMINATE** )  
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-captioned patent application are:

1. Response To Notice Of Missing Parts;
2. Copy of original Notice of Missing Parts;
3. Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney In Original Application;
4. Executed Assignment;
5. Assignment Recordation Sheet;
6. Petition for a One Month Extension of Time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a);
7. Check in the amount of \$280.00 (for the surcharge for filing the Declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.492(e), petition fee for one month extension, assignment recordation fee); and
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING PARTS**

Dear Sir:

In response to the enclosed NOTICE OF MISSING PARTS, dated October 25, 2001,  
Applicant respectfully submits the enclosed executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Accordingly, the above-identified patent application is now complete, and Applicant  
respectfully requests that it be passed to examination.

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Respectfully submitted,

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to our Deposit Account No. 13-0019. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 not accounted for above, such extension is requested and such fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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